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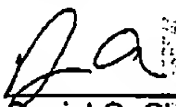
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While authorizing the withdrawal of the fee from the deposit account for the extension of time, Applicant does so under protest. The Examiner has indicated that a new office action would be issued that would restart the period for response. As of this date, that action has not been taken. In order to avoid abandonment, Applicant has filed this Request for an Extension of Time and filed a continuation application. As this represents an excessive and unnecessary cost to Applicant, notice is hereby given that Applicant will request reimbursement of the fees paid at the appropriate time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attached please find the following documents:

- X Request for Three-Month Extension of Time**
- X Transmittal**

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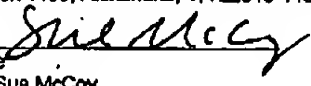
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In re Application of: Kenneth M. Riff et al.
For: MEDICAL DEVICE SYSTEMS IMPLEMENTED NETWORK SCHEME FOR REMOTE PATIENT MANAGEMENT
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 I hereby certify that this Request for Extension of Time and the paper(s), as described herein are being sent via facsimile No. (703) 872 9306 to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 20th day of April, 2004.


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- X Request for Three-Month Extension of Time
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